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- [54] DISTRIBUTION LIMITER FOR NETWORK MESSAGING
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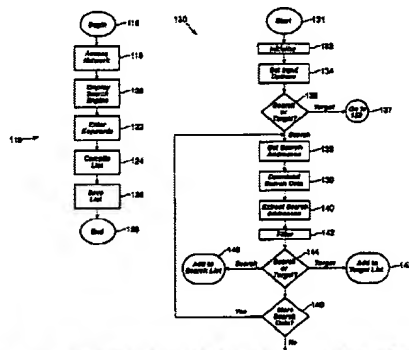
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## ABSTRACT

A message distribution limiter computer program and method are provided. The method preferably includes receiving a site address of target data stored at a remote site on a computer network; locating the target data stored at the remote site; examining the target data to determine if user addresses are present in the target data; extracting user addresses from the target data; and compiling a database containing the extracted user addresses. The method also preferably includes the steps of downloading the target data to a local memory; locating within the target data one or more embedded site addresses of remote sites on the computer network for locating additional target data referenced within the remote sites; screening the embedded site addresses according to a user-selectable criterion; and screening the target data according to a user-selectable criterion such that user addresses are extracted only from target data meeting the selected criterion. Also included is a mail screening module adapted to place into a network site a user-selectable code indicating whether a selected type of message is desired to be received by a mailbox within the network site.

20 Claims, 6 Drawing Sheets



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The origin address of an e-mail message is validated to enable blocking of e-mail from spam e-mail sources, but

(57) **ABSTRACT**

The origin address of an e-mail message is validated to enable blocking of e-mail from spam e-mail sources, by preparing, in response to the receipt of a predetermined e-mail message from an unverified source address, a data key encoding information reflective of the predetermined e-mail message. This message, including the data key, is then issued to the unverified source address. The computer system then operates to detect whether a response e-mail message, responsive to the challenge e-mail message, is received and whether the response e-mail message includes a response key encoding predetermined information reflective of a predetermined aspect of the challenge e-mail message. The unverified source address may be recorded in a verified source address list. Thus, when an e-mail message is received, the computer may operate to accept receipt of a predetermined e-mail message on condition that the source address of the predetermined e-mail message is recorded in the verified source address list and alternatively on condition that the predetermined e-mail message includes the response key.

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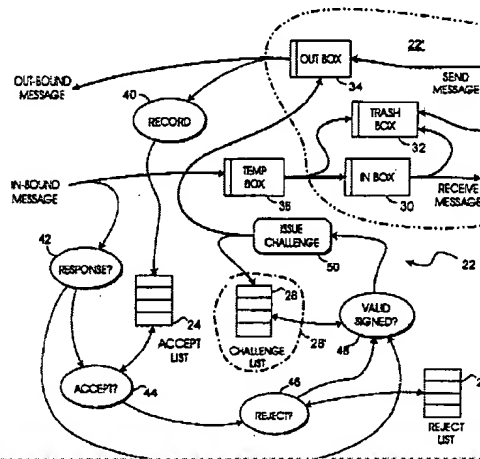
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[54] **SYSTEM FOR PREDICTING AND MANAGING NETWORK PERFORMANCE BY MANAGING AND MONITORING RESOURCE UTILIZATION AND CONNECTION OF NETWORK**

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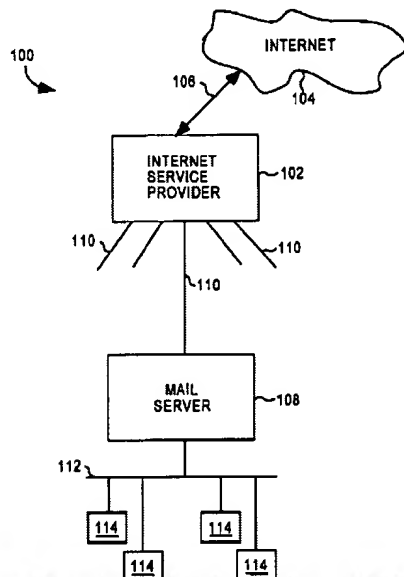
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A system to manage network resources of a network so that network performance is predictable and manageable is disclosed. According to the system, network resource utilization is monitored and then computer systems seeking to transmit or receive data over the network as requested to do so at times that serve to more efficiently utilize the network resources. A method for managing network resources is also disclosed.

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**Online and Internet service providers -- Countering spam**

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Provides a profile on Internet **Service Providers** , and how they are moving decisively to combat spam on the Internet. Says in addition to imposing hefty fines to spammers, ISPs are now filtering junk mail from their customers accounts on their behalf. Says as a result of the outcome of recent high profile court hearings, Internet Providers have been empowered and are now using a **number** of criteria to impede spammers. Says by **blocking spam** before it reaches the customer's inbox is proving very successful, and is becoming the favored method of combating spam by a growing **number** of ISPs. Adds the mail is blocked at the individual discretion of the **ISP** , and the cost of filtering is not more than the cost of chasing spammers and getting them to refrain from spamming customers. (EB)

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... enabled, the same spam messages can come to you from a dozen or so different **senders**, meaning users would have to constantly adjust their rules.

**Most** of the latest crop of **e - mail server** products contain some server- side anti- **spam** capabilities, such as "blacklisting" (address blocking) and restricting access to the server's SMTP relay...



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**Consistent, yet anonymous, Web access with LPWA**

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... email caused by the selling of the database to spammers, while at the same time **email** from all other sites is unaffected. **Most** current anti- **spam** tools filter according to **sender** addresses or keywords, both of which are easily changed by spammers (such as address spoofing...

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The Federal Trade Commission warns that **most** Internet scams arrive by means of **Bulk E - Mail**. And the accent is on "bulk." There are scammers out there who are willing to...

...providers offer software that automates sending e-mail messages to recipients. Others will even send **bulk e-mail** solicitations for you. **Most bulk e-mail** providers insinuate that you can make a huge amount of money using their marketing techniques and "tricks". They neglect to mention that sending **bulk e-mail** violates the "terms of service" (TOS) of **most Internet service providers** (ISPs). If you use automated ("robotic") bulk e-mail programs your ISP may terminate your...

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**Apparatus for detecting spam in real-time uses program identifying files, origin address or subject and applies frequency or quantity threshold**

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Abstract (Basic): WO 200275570 A1

NOVELTY - System for automatically detecting unwanted messages in real time comprises a redundant **e - mail** address detection and capture system comprising a computer program which has a process for accessing the directory and identifying message files, a process for locating an address of origin, subject or other specified criteria within each message file, a process for identifying whether each message file should be considered **spam**, a process for separating the **spam** and non- **spam** message files logically and a process physically moving or renaming the message files in a predetermined fashion. A frequency or quantity **threshold** is applied to identify **spam**.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - There are INDEPENDENT CLAIMS for:

(1) A method of automatically detecting unwanted messages in real time as applied to a message router

(2) An apparatus for redundant **e - mail** address detection and capture

USE - Apparatus concerns **e - mail** messaging and **spam** filtering.

ADVANTAGE - Apparatus detects unwanted messages in real time.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWING(S) - The figure shows a flow diagram of a redundant **e - mail** address detection and capture system.

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Title Terms: APPARATUS; DETECT; **SPAM**; REAL-TIME; PROGRAM; IDENTIFY; FILE; ORIGIN; ADDRESS; SUBJECT; APPLY; FREQUENCY; QUANTITY; **THRESHOLD**

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**Method for monitoring electronic mail message by generating from each message a number representing part of the message but not non-subject header information and comparing the numbers with previously stored numbers**

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Abstract (Basic): WO 200219069 A2

NOVELTY - Each mail includes header information including subject and non-subject headers and a main body containing message content. A numerical summary is formed only of the subject line and message content, which may include text or attached files. The generated numerical summary is stored and compared with previously stored summaries.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION - If the number of matches exceeds a **threshold** an alert is generated, e.g. to indicate detection of a virus or **Spam**. Timestamp information may be stored with the summaries together with sender/recipient details and the Internet protocol address of origin to aid in detecting the originator.

INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are included for

(a) a software product for monitoring **electronic mail**

(b) and a computer system for monitoring **electronic mail**

USE - Monitoring **electronic mail**, e.g. to detect malicious content such as viruses or **Spam**.

ADVANTAGE - Efficiently monitors for unsolicited and malicious mail.

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Title Terms: METHOD; MONITOR; ELECTRONIC; MAIL; MESSAGE; GENERATE; MESSAGE; NUMBER; REPRESENT; PART; MESSAGE; NON; SUBJECT; HEADER; INFORMATION; COMPARE; NUMBER; STORAGE; NUMBER

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File Segment: EPI

Set	Items	Description
S1	83541	EMAIL OR (ELECTRONIC OR E OR ELECTRIC OR DIGITAL) ( ) (MAIL? - OR MESSAG?) OR SMTP OR MIME OR POP
S2	3788810	(MAX OR MAXIMUM OR THRESHOLD OR MOST) (2N) (NUMBER? OR AMOUNT?) OR QUOTA OR LIMIT OR THRESHOLD OR MOST
S3	2900	SPAM OR ANTISPAM OR BULK(2N) (REMAIL? OR MAIL?)
S4	6613	S1 AND S2
S5	88	S4 AND S3
S6	322	S4 AND ((EMAIL OR MAIL) ( ) SERVER? OR SENDER? OR ISP OR SERVICE ( ) PROVIDER?)
S7	25	S5 AND S6
S8	24	RD (unique items)
S9	13	S8 NOT PY>2000
S10	2923	UNSOLICIT?(N) (MAIL? OR EMAIL?) OR S3
S11	11	S1(2N)S2 AND S10
S12	32	S1(2N)S2 AND S6
S13	40	S11 OR S12
S14	40	RD (unique items)
S15	594	S3 AND (FILTER? OR RULE?)
S16	48	S15 AND S2
S17	28	S16 AND (ADDRESS? OR INDIVIDUAL? OR SENDER? OR PERSON? OR - USER? OR SUBSCRIBER? OR CLIENT?)
S18	65	S14 OR S17
S19	61	S18 NOT S9
S20	61	RD (unique items)
S21	35	S20 NOT PY>2000
S22	24766	(LEVEL? OR QUANTIT? OR NUMBER? OR MAXIMUM? OR LIMIT? OR THRESHOLD?) (2N) (ADDRESS? OR FORWARD? OR RECIPIENT? OR RECEIVER?)
S23	312	S1 AND S22
S24	6	S23 AND (BULK? OR SPAM? OR REMAIL?)
S25	18	S23 AND (SERVER? OR GATEWAY? OR ISP? OR SERVICE ( ) PROVIDER?)
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S27	24	RD (unique items)
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DIALOG(R)File 2:INSPEC

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5823086 INSPEC Abstract Number: B9803-6210G-006, C9803-6155-003

**Title: Selectively rejecting spam using Sendmail**

Author(s): Harker, R.

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Language: English Document Type: Conference Paper (PA)

Treatment: Practical (P)

Abstract: With the growing popularity of the Internet, unsolicited **electronic mail** ( **spam** ) has become a major concern. It fills up user's mailboxes, clogs mail relays, wastes the postmaster's time and creates ill will for sites that have been used as a relay. **Most** sites want to filter **spam** before they receive it, but filtering **spam** is hard to do without filtering legitimate mail messages. This paper discusses what characterizes **spam** and describes rulesets that can be added to a Sendmail version 8.8 sendmail.cf file to selectively reject mail from specific addresses, domains or IP addresses and to prevent spammers from relaying mail through a site. It discusses the different issues facing corporate sites and the special issues facing Internet **service providers** (ISPs). The rulesets presented have been implemented as M4 template files so they can be easily integrated into a sendmail.cf file as a feature using M4. These rulesets are currently in use at Harker Systems and other sites, and are available via anonymous ftp. (4 Refs)

Subfile: B C

Descriptors: **electronic mail** ; Internet

Identifiers: selective **spam** rejection; Sendmail v. 8.8; M4 template files; unsolicited **electronic mail** ; spamming; mail relays; message filtering; IP addresses; corporate sites; Internet **service providers** ; rulesets

Class Codes: B6210G (Electronic mail); B6210L (Computer communications); C6155 (Computer communications software); C7104 (Office automation); C7210 (Information services and centres)

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**For many ISPs, spam 's complexities create an intractable problem**

Dillon, Michael

Internet World , February 1, 1999 , v5 n4 p27, 1 Page(s)

ISSN: 1081-3071

Languages: English

Document Type: Articles, News & Columns

Geographic Location: United States

ASK THE INFRA EXPERT column explains how criminal spammers use forged source addresses to help cover their tracks. Says that a fake credit card number is used to open accounts with national Internet **service providers** (ISPs) that offer service through modem pools that they rent from other providers. Adds that an **ISP** is then dialed up, and special software is used to send out tens of thousands of **spam** messages with forged **e - mail** addresses comprised of random letters for the user name, and a real domain name. Notes that as the spammer's account is terminated with one dial-up provider, the spammer simply moves on to the next dial-up provider and continues spamming. Says that **most** ISPs reject **spam** messages by bouncing them back to the **sender** . Adds that when the **sender** 's domain name was forged, some innocent victim not connected with the spammer must spend several days deleting tens of thousands of bounced messages. (JC)

Descriptors: Spamming; Problem-solving; Internet **Service Providers**  
; Internet Access; Crime



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6028452 INSPEC Abstract Number: C9811-0230-002

**Title:** Spam ! [junk e - mail]

**Author(s):** Cranor, L.F.; LaMacchia, B.A.

**Author Affiliation:** AT&T Labs.-Res., Florham Park, NJ, USA

**Journal:** Communications of the ACM vol.41, no.8 p.74-83

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**Abstract:** Concern about the proliferation of unsolicited **bulk email**, commonly referred to as "**spam**", has been steadily increasing. When received in small quantities, **spam** may annoy recipients, but rarely poses a significant problem. However, some **recipients** of large **quantities** of **spam** find themselves so overwhelmed with unwanted **email** that it is time-consuming or difficult for them to ferret out their desired correspondence. Furthermore, unlike most junk postal mail, junk **email** frequently contains explicit sexual language and attached photographs that many recipients find offensive. With the advent of HTML-enabled **email** clients, some **bulk** emailers now send lengthy HTML-formatted **email**, complete with images and links to Java applets that may execute automatically when the **email** is read using some clients. The paper discusses possible solutions to the **spam** problem and the major factors that contribute to it. (7 Refs)

**Subfile:** C

**Descriptors:** **electronic mail**; Internet; social aspects of automation

**Identifiers:** unsolicited **bulk email**; **spam**; junk e - mail; HTML; Java applets; unwanted **electronic mail**; Internet

**Class Codes:** C0230 (Economic, social and political aspects of computing); C7104 (Office automation); C7210 (Information services and centres)

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**Delving deep into** e - mail

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ISSN: 1060-894X

Company Name: Tacit Knowledge Systems

URL: <http://www.tacit.com>

Product Name: KnowledgeMail 1.3

Languages: English

Document Type: Articles, News & Columns

Geographic Location: United States

Reports that KnowledgeMail 1.3 from Tacit Knowledge Systems can now be accessed from an intranet or portal. States that content can be viewed and acted on in context with other applications or directories. Says that under the control of each individual user, KnowledgeMail automatically creates private and public profiles of everyone in the enterprise and maintains them in real time. Adds that the system makes that information accessible across the enterprise thereby linking information seekers with knowledge holders on any given topic. Indicates that with the new software, distribution lists can be expanded so they can more effectively target the appropriate recipients instead of distributing **e - mail** to those who would have no interest. Says that by limiting the **number** of **recipients** by data fields in an LDAP **server** , the overall performance of the system can be increased. (sps)

Descriptors: **Electronic Mail** ; Administration; Intranets; Networks ; Portals

Identifiers: KnowledgeMail 1.3; Tacit Knowledge Systems